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Hon. Alison J. Nathan
United States District Judge
United States Courthouse
Southern District of New York
40 Foley Square
New York, New York 10007

Re: United States v. Isaiah Ellis
Cr 16-148 (AJN)

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Dear Judge Nathan:

Please accept this correspondence as a request to be relieved and for the appointment of new counsel to represent the above named defendant pursuant to the Criminal Justice Act. It is suggested that my co-counsel and former mentee in this matter, Andrew Bernstein, Esq., who is now a member of the CJA Panel for the SDNY, be appointed owing to his familiarity with the case.

SO ORDERED

In late December, 2019, I applied to become the new CJA Case Budgeting Attorney for the Court 9/17/2020 of Appeals for the Second Circuit. I am pleased to advise the Court that on April 6, 2020 I was offered and have accepted that position. I commenced my employment on May 4, 2020 in that capacity.

In this capacity I shall not be able to further represent my CJA clients as counsel to effectively perform my duties and responsibilities while avoiding any potential conflict of interest. Accordingly, it is respectfully requested that I be relieved and CJA counsel be appointed as replacement counsel pursuant to the Criminal Justice Act for Mr. Ellis.

SO ORDERED

9/17/2020

Respectfully submitted,

/s/
Alan Nelson